

Sutton Energy Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
October 15, 2019

Attendance: Dana Patoine, Martha Tack, Darlene Ahrens  
The meeting was called to order at 1800  
Introductions were made

The minutes for the September 17, 2019 were read and approved as read.

**Window Dressers**

Darlene reported that she has received notice from Window Dressers that we are on the schedule for next year. We have also been given a commitment from Glover to mentor us. We will need to be trained on the measurement technique. Things that should be done at this point:

Present to the Selectboard and ask to be on the agenda for town meeting in the spring in order to let people in town know about this. Other avenues for getting the word out were mentioned: Face Book, FPF. White's Market, the web page.

Encourage a few more people to participate in this effort and make it more of a community event. In general encourage participation whether or not one wants them installed in their own home.

Secure a small grant to help with costs for folks for whom this would be cost prohibitive. (Glover got a \$2,000 grant from the Vermont Community Foundation. They used about \$1,000 this year). We discussed possible sources.

Identify up to four homes for next year.

Darlene will go to the next Selectboard meeting to present the idea and ask for it to be on the Town Meeting agenda for March. Dana will talk with a friend to see if he would be interested in working on this project.

This would be a good thing for people to work on if they are interested in helping with a discrete project even if they did not want to do committee work.

**Municipal Building Energy Assessment**

Alison Low was asked about this and she said that an audit was done in 2011. We will try to get a copy of that and work from there. It is possible that there is a source to obtain low cost LED lights for the office. Lighting has been an issue for office staff. They would like better lighting. We will continue to pursue this.

**Climate Change and School**

We wondered how issues of climate change have been incorporated in the school curriculum. None of us have any knew the answer to this. David Tucker talked to some young people at Northern University who have a program to talk with students about the issue and they would be willing to come to Sutton School. The first thing to determine is what is already happening in our school and would something like this be desired. Martha will talk with the principal about this.

The next meeting will be November 19.

The meeting was adjourned at 1900

Respectfully submitted

Darlene Ahrens